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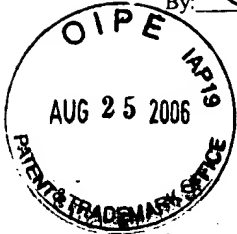
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**AMENDMENT WITH SUBMISSION OF
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1.114**

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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of:

Heng Liao

Application No.: 09/538,132

Filed: March 29, 2000

For: METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR
PROGRAMMABLE LEXICAL PACKET
CLASSIFIER

Customer No.: 20350

Confirmation No. 6523

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